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TAGS: BDIS, SA  
SUBJECT: BADR EXPORT AND IMPORT, INC.

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1. POST HAS RECEIVED FOUR TRADE COMPLAINTS FROM LOCAL FIRMS RE BADR. DURING LAST VISIT TO EMBASSY OF JOHN DRAPER, BADR'S VICE PRESIDENT, WE OUTLINED PROBLEM AND SHOWED HIM DOCUMENTS RECEIVED LOCALLY. FEW HOURS LATER BADR HIMSELF APPEARED AND IN HIGH DUDGEON STATED EMBASSY HAD NO RIGHT TO SHOW HIS PAPERS TO PREVIOUS VISITOR. WE EXPLAINED THAT PAPERS WERE OURS, NOT HIS, AND THAT WE BELIEVED IT INCUMBENT ON US SHOW DOCUMENTS TO VICE PRESIDENT OF HIS FIRM.

2. EMBASSY HAS HAD TO USE MUCH PERSUASION ON LOCAL BUSINESSMEN TO DISSUADE THEM FROM STARTING LEGAL ACTION PREVENTING BADR'S EVER VISITING SAUDI ARABIA AGAIN.

3. WE HAVE NO RECORD OF DOCUMENTATION RE BADR'S ACCUSATION AGAINST SIRAJ. WE WONDER, HOWEVER, WHY BADR WOULD DO BUSINESS WITH SIRAJ IF HE HAD PREVIOUS INFO RE FRAUD. WE ASSUME COMMERCE DOES NOT WISH US TO GIVE SIRAJ THIS INFO.

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4. COMMERCE MAY RELAY ABOVE TO BADR AND ALSO ADVISE THAT WE ONLY REPORT CLAIMS BY LOCAL FIRMS AS GIVEN TO US TO PROTECT U.S. FIRMS AND THE TRADING INTERESTS OF THE UNITED STATES. WE WILL DO OUR BEST REASSURE BADR BUT DO NOT WISH TO BE PRESSURED AS HE ATTEMPTED PREVIOUSLY.

5. WE NOTE THAT THERE IS NO REPLY TO THE SPECIFICS OF

OUR OM RE PROOF THAT 3000 CASES OF SOFT DRINKS WERE  
SHIPPED AND WHETHER BADR WOULD REPLY TO SIRAJ.  
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